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BY HIS EXCELLENCY

ARGEO PAUL CELLUCCI GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 403

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT FOR MASSACHUSETTS STATE AGENCIES

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth is committed to leadership in advancing practices that protect public health and environmental quality; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 350 directs all state agencies to take measures to prevent pollution and conserve natural resources; and

WHEREAS, chemical pesticides may pose a threat to public health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, Integrated Pest Management is an ecologically based approach to pest management, which minimizes reliance on chemical pesticides and prevents pest problems in the most environmentally protective manner;

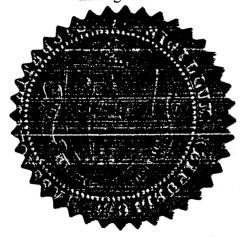
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Argeo Paul Cellucci, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Supreme Executive Magistrate, do hereby order as follows:

Section 1. All state agencies shall adopt and implement Integrated Pest Management (IPM) programs in all facilities owned or managed by the Commonwealth.

Section 2. By June 30, 1998, the Division of Operational Services, the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, and the Department of Food and Agriculture shall jointly develop a Master Service Agreement (MSA) establishing (i) a list of qualified vendors to service facilities within the context of an IPM program, and (ii) mandatory procedures and policies consistent with an IPM program.

<u>Section 3.</u> Immediately upon the expiration of any previously existing pest management contracts, and in any event not later than June 30, 2001, agencies shall initiate IPM programs consistent with the policies and procedures established in the MSA in all facilities under their jurisdiction.

<u>Section 4.</u> By April 30, 1998, the Secretary of Environmental Affairs shall appoint an advisory committee to review the progress of the Commonwealth's IPM program. The committee shall include one industry representative knowledgeable in the field of IPM, one representative from the environmental community, and one state agency or facility manager.



Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston this 2220 day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

WHEREAS, Execut

Argeo Paul Cellucci

Governor

William Francis Galvin Secretary of the Commonwealth

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